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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 481 By Robinson

A RESOLUTION to recognize the celebration of Arbor Day on March 3, 2000, in the Madison community and to urge support for the planting and preservation of trees.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to recognize laudable efforts to improve upon and sustain the environment in the respective communities of this great state; and

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2000, the first Friday in March, the Madison community will celebrate Tennessee's Arbor Day; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day ceremonies will commence at Madison School; parents and students of the school will be joined in the celebration with the Madison Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Soroptimist Club, and the Madison High School Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, Davidson County will be recognized for the meritorious efforts of its citizenry, as the county receives its 5th Tree City USA designation which recognizes the

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county's establishment of a Tree Board, it's the enactment of a Tree Ordinance, and the county's expenditure of two dollars per capita on trees and official Arbor Day ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, Madison's Arbor Day ceremonies will include tree songs and poems by the superlative students of Madison School; and

WHEREAS, as part of an ongoing landscape improvement project on campus, four tulip poplar trees and one green ash tree will be planted to memorialize the celebration; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day ceremonies across the nation promote the proper planting and preservation of trees in our communities and encourage citizens to plant more trees for the purposes of beautification and environmental enhancement; and

WHEREAS, the Arbor Day ceremonies in Madison provide a strong, unified voice for Tennesseans to advocate the estimable goals of Arbor Day; it is incumbent upon the members of this legislative body to recognize this important observance; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and recognize the members of the Madison community for their celebration of Arbor Day on March 3, 2000, and encourage all Tennesseans to join in celebrating this special event and participating in appropriate events on Arbor Day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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